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4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
5 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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7 UNITED AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE
8 COMPANY,

Case No. 2:18-cv-02269-JAD-PAL

Plaintiff,

ORDER

9 v.

(Mot Stay – ECF No. 26)

10 THOMAS CHRISTENSEN, et al.,

11 Defendants.

12 Before the court is defendant Thomas Christensen's Motion to Stay Proceedings (ECF No.
13 26) asking the court to stay discovery in this case. Defendants Arntz and Lewis have filed Joinders
14 (ECF Nos. 28, 29) to the motion. No opposition has been filed, and the time for filing an opposition
15 has expired. Also before the court is the parties' proposed Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order
16 (ECF No. 27) which requests special scheduling review.

17 Defendant Christensen filed a Special Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRS.41.660
18 (ECF No. 5) under Nevada's anti-SLAPP (Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation) statute.
19 When a party files a special motion, the state statute requires a stay discovery pending a ruling on
20 the special motion. NRS 41.660(3)(e). The motion is fully briefed and waiting a ruling from the
21 district judge.

22 Having reviewed and considered the matter, the court will grant the motion to stay and
23 require the parties to submit a proposed discovery plan and scheduling order 14 days after entry of
24 the order on the special motion to dismiss if any claims survive. Accordingly,

25 **IT IS ORDERED** that:

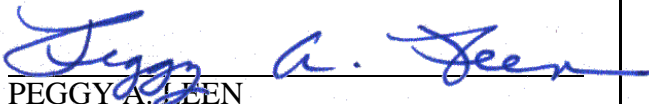
26 1. The Motion to Stay Discovery (ECF No. 26) is **GRANTED**.

27 2. The court will not enter the proposed Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order
28 (ECF No. 27). Instead, the parties shall submit a proposed Discovery Plan and

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Scheduling Order 14 days after entry of the order deciding the special motion to dismiss
should any claims survive.

DATED this 26th day of April 2019.


PEGGY A. LEEN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE